

What is claimed is:

1 1. A method for inputting information, comprising:  
2 the first step of sensing that a user's finger touches a key  
3 for inputting information,  
4 the second step of displaying information assigned to said  
5 key touched by said user's finger on a display means, and  
6 the third step of deciding to input said information  
7 displayed on said display means, when said key is pushed down at  
8 pressure higher than a predetermined value.

1 2. A method for inputting information according to claim  
2 1, wherein:

3 said key touched by said user's finger is one of plural keys  
4 to which plural informations are respectively assigned in said  
5 first step, and

6 a function assigned to said key touched by said user's finger  
7 is determined depending on a scene on said display means in said  
8 second step.

1 3. A method for inputting information according to claim  
2 1, wherein:

3 said key touched by said user's selects desired information  
4 out of plural informations in said first step, and

5 said display means successively displays said plural  
6 informations at a predetermined interval, when said user's finger  
7 continues to touch said key.

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1 4. A method for inputting information according to claim  
2 1, wherein:

3 said key touched by said user's finger is one of component  
4 keys of a ten key for inputting a numeral or a character, or of  
5 a function-selecting key for selecting a desired function out of  
6 plural functions in said first step, and

7 said display means displays said numeral or said character  
8 assigned to said component key touched by said user's finger, when  
9 one of said component keys of said ten key is touched by said user's  
10 finger, and

11 shifts a cursor to a selective item assigned to said  
12 component key touched by said user's finger on said display means,  
13 when one of said component keys of said function-selecting key  
14 is touched by said user's finger, in said second step,

15 wherein said selective item is included in plural selective  
16 items which respectively correspond to said component keys of said  
17 function-selecting key and are displayed on said display means.

1 5. A method for inputting information according to claim  
2 4, wherein:

3 said ten key is that used in a cellular telephone for  
4 inputting a telephone number or characters, and

5 said function-selecting key is that used in said cellular  
6 telephone which selects said desired function out of said plural  
7 functions.

1 6. An information-inputting apparatus, comprising:  
2 keys for inputting informations,

3 a means for sensing that said key is touched by a user's  
4 finger,

5 a display means for displaying said information assigned  
6 to said key touched by said user's finger,

7 a means for detecting pressure exerted on said key, and

8 a means for deciding to input said information displayed  
9 on said display means, when said key is pushed down at said pressure  
10 higher than a predetermined value.

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